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Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Joins SCAQMD Board

Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl was sworn in today as the newest member of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Governing Board.

Kuehl, representing Los Angeles County's Third District, was elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in 2014. Since joining the Board of Supervisors, Kuehl has undertaken or collaborated in a number of initiatives to improve the quality of life for county residents. Kuehl has championed water conservation and recycling innovations, protection of the Santa Monica Mountains and coastline, and efforts to reduce homelessness and provide services for foster youth.

Kuehl also serves as chair of the Board of Commissioners for First 5 LA and is a member of the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).

Kuehl previously served eight years in the California State Senate and six years in the California State Assembly. She was the first woman to be named Speaker Pro Tempore in the Assembly. Additionally, she authored 171 bills that were signed into law.

Prior to her election to the state Legislature, as a public-interest attorney, she drafted and fought for 40 pieces of legislation relating to children and families, women, and domestic violence. She was a law professor at Loyola, UCLA and USC, and cofounded and served as the managing attorney of the California Women's Law Center.

Kuehl will serve the remainder of the four year term previously held by former Supervisor Michael Antonovich ending on January 15, 2019.

SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.